

109TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 6001

To require the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to establish an identity verification system that ensures that disaster assistance payments are paid only to qualified individuals.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2006

Mr. JINDAL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. DISASTER ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED INDIVID-**  
4       **UALS.**

5       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Federal  
6       Emergency Management Agency shall establish an iden-  
7       tity verification system that verifies applicant identity in

1 near-real time to ensure that disaster assistance payments  
2 are paid only to qualified individuals.

3 (b) QUALIFICATION.—To determine if an individual  
4 is qualified and ensure that the identity verification sys-  
5 tem referred to in subsection (a) is efficient, the Director  
6 shall—

7 (1) establish detailed criteria for registration  
8 that provides simple but specific instructions to reg-  
9 istrants regarding the identification information re-  
10 quired;

11 (2) require registrants to provide their name ex-  
12 actly as it appears on their social security card to  
13 prevent name and social security discrepancies;

14 (3) test the identity verification system prior to  
15 implementation;

16 (4) ensure that call center employees give  
17 prompt feedback to a registrant regarding whether  
18 or not the registrant's identity has been validated;  
19 and

20 (5) establish an expeditious appeal and an al-  
21 ternative verification process for a registrant who is  
22 rejected through the identity verification system.

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